

February 12, 2007 Update

Update for the Arizona Birth Defects Monitoring Program Rulemaking (9 A.A.C. 4, Article 5)

The Department is amending the rules in 9 A.A.C. 4, Article 5. The amended rules:

- Clarify reporting requirements for the Arizona Birth Defects Monitoring Program (ABDMP),
- Specify the information the Department may collect and how the Department may collect the information,
- Improve the organization of the rules, and
- Address HIPAA issues.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for this rulemaking was published in the *Arizona Administrative Register* on February 9, 2007. The Oral Proceeding is scheduled for March 12, 2007, at 1 p.m., at 150 N 18th Avenue, Room 540A, Phoenix, Arizona 85007-3233.

Individuals interested in these rules are asked to send any comments to Ruthann Smejkal, Rules Analyst for the Department, by e-mail at smejkar@azdhs.gov, by phone at 602-364-3959, or by fax at 602-364-1150.